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ALLIED DEBT PLAN READY

Harding And Cabinet Decide to Launch Huge Project.

Washington, June 27.—President Harding and his cabinet have decided to launch their plan for refunding the nation's 16 billion war loans to the allies into definite obligations and for the sale of such securities to the American people.

The first step on the part of the administration will be to ask congress for specific authority to carry out this plan when it is worked out in detail by the treasury.

This is one phase of a vast and complicated project for the financing of World War debts, comprising not only the 20 billion dollars loans of the allied and associated nations to each other but the 33 billion dollar German reparations.

The proposals of the French and British governments for a mutual cancellation of war debts among the allies have been rejected by the United States and are considered definitely shelved.

If the Harding plan for the refunding of foreign loans and their absorption by the people works out successfully it is believed that a similar course will be adopted by the allies in dealing with their debts to each other.

The American government loans to the allies are:

To Great Britain	\$4,210,000,000
To France	2,750,000,000
To Italy	1,625,000,000
To Belgium	400,000,000
To Russia	190,000,000
To Jugoslavians	100,000,000
To other allies	175,000,000

Total.....\$9,450,000,000

Nearly 1 billion more is now due from the allies in interest on these loans which has not been paid for two years and will not be paid for another year at least.

Under the Harding refunding plan these loans to the allies which are now in the form of 5 per cent acknowledgements of indebtedness, would be refunded into bonds maturing thirty or forty years hence at a higher rate of interest. The increase in the interest rate above 5 per cent would be sufficient to yield the additional amount due to the United States in defaulted interest.

These allied government bonds then would be placed on the market by the United States government from time to time and sold to investors. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds to individual investors would be employed by the government to retire Liberty bonds.

The Harding plan for treatment of the defaulted interest is likely to meet opposition in congress, particularly on the part of those who contemplate employing the back interest, when paid, to finance the bonus for ex-service men.

Whether the allied bonds when sold to the people should be guaranteed by the United States is another question that will come up in congress when the authorization bill is considered. The administration plan, however, so far as it has been disclosed up to date, contemplates the sale of the allied bonds themselves to investors without guarantee.

To Keep Babies From Voting.

Jefferson City, June 27.—One of the questions before the legislature is how to prevent babies from voting.

So Governor Hyde in his message has submitted to the legislature the question of amending a joint and concurrent resolution adopted at the regular session "to limit qualified voters to those over the age of 21 years."

The situation came about in a peculiar way. At the last session a concurrent resolution, to be submitted to the voters in November, 1922, was adopted removing disqualifications from women to hold office. The principal reason for making a change in the constitution was to make women eligible for jury service. Subsequently, the proposed amendment was dropped from the present agenda for voters.

Another constitutional amendment, to be submitted at the special session August 2, is to tax the word "baby" from the constitution. The purpose for that is to make babies ineligible for office and also to make them ineligible for the next census.

FOSTER POSTOFFICE

ROBBED OF \$800

Robbers Used Sledge Hammer to Break the Vault—And Then Escaped.

The post-office at Foster, about twelve miles northwest of Rich Hill was entered by robbers at 2 o'clock this Thursday morning. The vault doors broken and \$800, represented in money and stamps, stolen, the robbers making their escape.

Nothing was known of the robbery until Postmaster Burk went down to open the office early in the morning, and the news of the robbery created quite a bit of excitement. The building where the robbery took place was formerly the old Foster bank building, and the money and stamps were kept in the vault. Prosecuting Attorney Hales was notified and, accompanied by E. D. Waller motored at once to Foster, returning about 2 o'clock this Thursday afternoon.

Investigation showed that the robbers had gone to the Mo. Pacific railway tool house and stolen a heavy iron bar and sledge hammer, which they used in forcing entrance to the building and then pounded away the two heavy doors to the vault.

No clew has been obtained up to this writing, but the robbers are believed to be expert bank burglars or safe crackers, from the way in which they worked. A lodge room is on the second floor of the building but no noise was heard. The robbers took only money and stamps and no merchandise was stolen.—Rich Hill Review.

Crops in Bates County.

All reports from different parts of the county indicate that the condition of the crops are far from satisfactory. Wheat harvest is over and in almost every case the yield or the quality of the grain was far below what had been expected. The heads not being well filled out and in many cases the Hessian fly had done considerable damage. The heavy rains last week damaged the oats considerably. Most fields were just ready to cut when the rains started and the grain was beaten down. Those that were cut were like the wheat, disappointing. The corn looks fine. In most localities it is clean and the ground in good condition, but owing to the late spring the planting was late and the plants are not so far advanced as they should be at this time. The hay crop will be light and in many fields the white top is so thick that it will hardly pay to harvest the crop.

Milo Wilcox to the Naval Academy.

Milo Wilcox, of this city, has received the announcement of his appointment as a cadet to the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland. About ten days ago Congressman Atkeson appointed Roland Harper, of the west part of the county, but, on account of his age, he was unable to qualify and Mr. Wilcox was appointed in his place. Milo is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilcox, a graduate of the Butler High School and a first-class young man. He has sent his school records to the naval examining board and expects in a short time to be ordered up for his entrance examination.

Start Revolt in Mexico?

San Antonio, Tex. June 22.—Four detachments comprising about 150 well armed men have crossed the border into Mexico near Laredo and it is reported here are intent on severing rail communication between Nuevo Laredo and Monterey or an attack on Piedras Negras.

The department of justice here announced the crossing of the force.

The department has the names of three former Carranzista leaders who are said to be in charge of the band, but the names were not made public. It is unofficially reported Gen. Francisco Murguía is with the expedition.

Pepper Soda for \$14,400 as Due in Wood's Campaign.

Chicago, June 25.—The cost of the effort to make a president of Gen. Leonard Wood was before the superior court here Thursday.

William Cooper Proctor, of Cincinnati, former chairman of the Leonard Wood national committee, filed suit asking for a decree to compel other members of the organization to reimburse him for their share of the \$14,400 in pepper soda which he paid for the campaign.

FEAR A LIVESTOCK

COLLAPSE

Entire Industry is Threatened. Due to Low Prices Speakers Say.

St. Louis, June 25.—A total collapse in livestock industry was depicted by speakers at the convention of the National Traders' Livestock Exchange here last night.

E. F. Bisbee, general manager of the National Stock Yards Company at East St. Louis, Ill., H. A. Powell, editor of the Livestock Reporter, and Wirt Wright, East St. Louis banker, told of idle pastures and empty stock pens in the industry.

The moving of feeding stock from western ranges to farms has virtually ceased, the speaker said. An almost complete paralysis of sheep and cattle raising has resulted in a flood of inferior material to the markets, with no feeders available to absorb the natural dissemination back to the farms, they added.

E. S. Coddington, a local livestock broker in a summary of the general situation in the industry said:

"On a recent trip through Missouri, pasture after pasture with no stock grazing upon them were found.

Farmers and cattlemen further west have been hit so hard by feeding that they have neither the credit nor confidence to continue operations. Two disastrous collapses of the market for fat cattle in the last two years have forced thousands of men to turn their attention to grain growing in order to meet the demands of the banks which hold their notes. Young calves are being rushed to market rather than to the feed lot.

"Nothing is moving in sheep and horses. The whole pyramid has collapsed because of the withdrawal of credit from the stock raisers. At present it is impossible to finance feeding because the banks have been badly scared over the unstable conditions of the livestock industry."

Chicago, June 25.—Good pot roasts and boiling beef should be available to the consuming public at the lowest price in ten years, according to announcement by Armour & Co., Chicago packers, today.

"The fore quarters cuts are practically being given away by the packers," the announcement continues. "Plates are wholesaling as low as 2 and 3 cents a pound, and good quality chunks are being sold at 5 to 6 cents a pound."

"It ought to be possible for consumers to obtain good pot roasts at 10 to 12 1-2 cents a pound."

Who Has Lost a Ford?

Tuesday afternoon as R. A. Langenbacher, Bates county farm agent, was driving to the J. E. Thompson place, north of town, he came upon two young men or boys with a Ford car. The boys asked him how far he was going and told him that they were out of gasoline and out of money and were trying to get to Kansas City with their car. Mr. Langenbacher told Mr. Thompson about the boys and he said that they had told him the same story except that they were trying to get to St. Louis. After Mr. Langenbacher left the boys were seen to leave the car and start across the field. As Mr. Langenbacher drove back to town he noticed that the car had been abandoned and he notified Deputy Sheriff Bradley, who brought the car to town and is holding it until it is called for by the owners. The car bears a Kansas City license tag.

Wednesday morning the boys were seen trying to board the south bound passenger train but were put off, and they afterwards left town on a freight train.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father, Mr. Samuel Roberts. We also wish to thank them for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Samuel Roberts and Family.

Noted Man and Young Man!

If you're not attending Sunday school elsewhere, the Loyd Sons Bible Class of the Christian church invite you to meet with them every Sunday morning at 9:00 o'clock in the Church Court room of the Court House. Service commencing promptly at 9:15.

Special work every Sunday.

Lessons taught by M. O. Henry. Fine Fellowship—Good Music.

Church members to whom you'll find them in the church.

HOUSE REBUKES GOVERNOR

HYDE BY ITS VOTE ON THE UNIT BILL

Rejects Measure Designed to Overcome Referendum Provision.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 28.—The lower house of the Missouri legislature Tuesday rebuked Governor Hyde when, by a vote of 55 to 43, it rejected a county unit bill which Representative Elmer, of Dent county, sought to introduce to overcome the referendum which suspended the county unit bill, passed during the regular session.

The governor resubmitted the question of the county unit school law to the legislature and the new bill was prepared after a conference between the governor and some Republican leaders.

When Elmer introduced the bill Representative Whitaker, Hickory county Republican who fought the county unit bitterly during the regular session, raised objection to the bill being received and printed.

Members of the legislature declared they could not remember when the rule, providing for the objection to a bill, had been invoked.

Elmer explained that the new measure, indirectly had a county option feature, in that all counties that did not want to remain under the bill, could vote themselves out. The bill also exempted Jackson and St. Louis counties from its provisions.

Representatives Bailey of Jasper county and Dunlap of Daviess county, both Republican leaders spoke in favor of Whitaker's objection.

Bailey declared the regular session passed the county unit bill, that it was suspended through the referendum and that the matter is now up to the people to decide.

He declared that the special session was called for the primary purpose of considering the road legislation and that this should be done as soon as possible without confusing it with other propositions.

The action of the house is a clear indication that the members propose to let stand such objectionable bills as were suspended through the referendum in spite of the message of the governor again submitting the proposition in an effort to override the referendum.

Allen-Hyatt.

Miss Lorena Allen and Mr. Fred Hyatt were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the bride's father, Frank Allen, a few miles east of this city Sunday afternoon, June 26.

The ceremony was performed before a massive flower banked fireplace, Rev. H. J. Crockett, of Ft. Scott, Kansas, former pastor of the Christian church of this city, who baptized the bride some years ago, officiating. The beautiful ring ceremony being used.

After the ceremony a dainty lunch was partaken of and soon after the newly weds left overland for Kansas City, where they will for the present make their home.

The bride was born and raised to womanhood in this city where by her sunny and cheerful disposition, she has made hosts of friends and well wishers. She was educated in the Butler public schools and is an accomplished musician having commenced playing in an orchestra conducted by her father when she was ten years old.

Mr. Hyatt is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hyatt, prominent citizens of Summit. He is a high class young man and for the past two years has been engaged in farming with his father. For several years previous he was with his brother, Walter, engaged in conducting a business college in Seattle Washington.

To File Against Barnhouse?

Jefferson City, June 23.—The senate today confirmed the appointment by Governor Hyde May 16 of George W. Wagner of Jefferson City to the office of state food and drug commissioner. Dr. E. L. Barnhouse, the incumbent, has refused to surrender the office. It is the understanding that Governor Hyde will prefer charges against Dr. Barnhouse and oust him and that such proceedings will be brought in the immediate future.

The state auditor has refused to pay the salary of Dr. Barnhouse and his employees for last May, and the commissioner has a suit pending against the auditor in the supreme court.

NEAR REVOLT IN CONGRESS

New Members, Irking at Delay, Call An Indignation Meeting

Washington, June 28.—Representative Anson of New York issued a statement today asserting that the new Republican members of the house were dissatisfied with the progress made by congress at the present special session, and disclosing that he and ten others had joined in a call for a conference tomorrow night of approximately one hundred new Republican members to discuss the situation.

"We are not meeting in any spirit of revolt," said Mr. Anson, adding that the new members wanted to cut some of the red tape and substitute action for delay.

Mr. Anson said none of the objects for which congress was called into special session had been accomplished.

"Nor is there definite promise as to when they will be," he added. "There are upwards of a hundred first term Republicans in the house and they all feel as I do, that we have not been permitted to make our influence felt."

Congress was called into special session for certain definite purposes, namely, for revision of the cumbersome, unwieldy and inequitable system of taxation, the passage of a fair protective tariff and the passage of a peace resolution. None of these objects has as yet been accomplished nor is there any definite promise as to when they will be.

"Nearly three months have passed since the calling of the special session and we want to see action, spelled with a capital A."

"Congress is all tied up with red tape," the statement read.

"We want to cut some of the red tape and substitute action for delay. The seniority rule can go too far. We feel that our districts have as much right to representation as has Uncle Joe Cannon's."

"This is not a new thought. I have talked it over with the new members and they believe that conferences from time to time will serve a good purpose."

Others who signed the call for the conference are Representative Clark, New York; Gerner, Pennsylvania; Knight, Ohio; Hogan, New York; Arentz, Neada; Beck, Wisconsin; Beedy, Maine; Fenn, Connecticut; Funk, Illinois; and Cineberger, California.

Commercial Club Proceedings.

Eighteen members and two visitors attended the Commercial Club meeting last evening. The following business was transacted.

Camp Ground committee reported no suitable location had been found and will have another meeting.

East Pine street committee reported due to the tax burden carried by the people now they saw very little hope of raising the money. A motion prevailed that a committee of five meet with the city council to lower the tax levy for this coming year. The committee felt it would be an injustice to ask the people to pay for putting East Pine street in proper condition.

An ordinance will be drafted and brought before the City Council to protect merchants of Butler against transient merchants such as peddlers and auctioneers, who as a general rule misrepresent their wares and are not legitimate merchants.

The band stand committee will be notified to proceed with the construction of the new band stand.

A committee from the Choral Club appeared before the Club and explained their plans as adopted. They asked members of the Commercial Club to become members of the Choral Club and lend their moral support to their cause, which is indeed a worthy cause.

The following resolution was adopted:

Be it Resolved, by the Board of Directors of the Commercial Club of Butler, Mo., that they hereby respectfully request His Excellency, Governor Arthur M. Hyde to place before the special session of the General Assembly the question of abolishing the Corporation Franchise Tax and of reducing the State Income Tax. Inasmuch as the business corporations in the State of Missouri are operating with little or no profit during the reconstruction period, it is a great hardship upon them to be compelled to pay the Corporation Franchise Tax out of their pockets, which is financially necessary.

Twelve persons were killed and 30 wounded in a communist outbreak at Bromberg, a Polish city in Upper Silesia, said a dispatch from Oppeln Thursday. Martial law has been declared. Communists and unemployed stormed the Bromberg town hall and attacked the municipal council. Troops were rushed to the scene and opened fire with machine guns.

as this handicap makes it difficult to compete with business houses in neighboring states where these special taxes are not levied.

Be it Further Resolved: That it be the sense of this body that this inequitable tax has seriously interfered and will continue to interfere with the bringing of new business industries into the State and for this additional reason should be abolished.

HYDE URGES CUT IN INHERITANCE TAX, AFFECTING ONLY WEALTHY

Governor's Change of Heart Gives Little or No Relief to Farmers.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 24.—Farmers and home owners of the state will get little relief from burdensome taxes despite a change of heart by Governor Hyde who now says he wants to reduce taxes.

At recommendation of the governor, bills have been introduced in the special session to reduce the income and corporation franchise taxes and also to provide a small cut in the levy for state purposes. However, at the same time, the governor has requested that the inheritance tax be reduced. This latter tax has been effecting only large estates and the property of wealthy persons who are able financially to meet the taxes.

Now the governor purposes to reduce this inheritance tax for the wealthy class while, as chairman of that state board of equalization, he votes to increase the assessment of farm lands in the state 100 to 300 per cent and the assessment of personal property 10 to 500 per cent.

The proposed cut in the state levy is negligible as compared with the increased assessments which have been saddled upon the people, the owners of farms and town property being unable to escape the increase.

At the same time many persons with money and bonds and other forms of intangible property will be able to evade the increased taxes.

The regular session of the legislature passed bills lowering both the income and corporation franchise tax, but they were vetoed by the governor. After the attention had been called to the additional tax burdens being saddled upon the people, there was such a statewide protest that the governor was forced to resubmit the propositions to the special session.

A bill has been introduced in the house of representatives by Grover Joyce of Kansas City, providing for the outright repeal of the state income tax but it is certain that administration leaders will not permit the bill to pass.

They're Married Now.

Tuesday Misses Mabel Gilham and Elizabeth Rexroad departed for Potomac, Idaho, where they were to meet Gail Reid and Mr. James O. Ellis, today (Thursday). Miss Mabel to be married to Mr. Reid and Miss Elizabeth to Mr. Ellis.

These weddings are the culmination of a beautiful romance. Messrs. Reid and Ellis came to Adrian last winter with Mr. Fletcher Fulkerson to visit at the Fulkerson home in this city. While here they became acquainted with the popular young ladies above mentioned, the acquaintance ripened into a love affair with the result that they are married and we trust, most happily so.—Adrian Journal.

Another Rail Wage Cut.

Chicago, June 24.—A second order cutting wages of railroad employees will be issued by the United States railroad labor board Monday, it was learned today. It will be in the nature of an addendum to the former wage cut order, known as decision 147.

About one hundred and seventy-five railroads will be affected by the new order, which will extend wage reductions to these additional lines, as laid down in decision 147. The railroads to be affected by Monday's order have petitioned to be included in the previous wage slash and their petitions have been heard and granted.